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SUBJECT; SOVIET VIEWS ON CONTINUED EXISTENCE OF

MILITARY MISSIONS AND ON MBFR VERIFICATION TEAMS

1. IN COURSE OF CONVERSATION WITH CHIEF USMLM AT POLISH NATIONAL DAY RECEPTION IN WEST BERLIN JULY 22, LTG VINOGRADOV, MILITARY ATTACHE AT SOVIET EMBASSY EAST BERLIN, REMARKED THAT HE EXPECTED SOVIET UNION AND FRG TO EXCHANGE MILITARY ATTACHES WITHIN RELATIVELY SHORT PERIOD, AND THAT, IF AND WHEN THIS WERE TO OCCUR, IT WOULD BE LOGICAL FOR US AND GDR TO FOLLOW WITH RECIPROCAL ACCREDITATION OF ATTACHES. CHIEF USMLM NOTED THIS MIGHT ONE DAY BE POSSIBLE BUT DREW ATTENTION TO PRESENCE OF MLM'S IN FRG AND GDR, IMPLYING THAT THERE WAS NO NEED FOR MILITARY ATTACHES AS LONG AS MISSIONS EXISTED. BOTH VINOGRADOV AND COL. GUNIA, POLISH MILITARY ATTACHE EAST BERLIN ALSO TAKING PART IN CONVERSATION, IMMEDIATELY AND FIRMLY RESPONDED THAT THERE WOULD ALWAYS BE MLM'S SINCE THEIR BUSINESS WAS CONFIDENTIAL

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MILITARY IN NATURE AND THEY FORMED NECESSARY CHANNEL

BETWEEN MAIN COMMANDS; ATTACHES, ON OTHER HAND, PERFORMED DIPLOMATIC FUNCTIONS. VINOGRADOV ADDED THAT THERE WERE NOW SEVENTEEN FULL-TIME MILITARY ATTACHES IN EAST BERLIN, WITH MORE COMING.

2. LATER IN CONVERSATION, CHIEF USMLM ASKED INTERLOCUTORS FOR VIEWS ON FUTURE MBFR VERIFICATION TEAMS. VINOGRADOV SHOOK HEAD NEGATIVELY, WHILE GUNIA SAID TEAMS WOULD BE POSSIBLE; BOTH NOTED THAT FURTHER DISCUSSION WOULD BE REQUIRED. GEORGE

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